Assistance from NRF for Undertakings in Gujarat

4144. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Gujarat has sent any proposal for assistance from National Renewal Fund for Central Government Undertakings for the year 1994-95;

(b) whether any assistance from NRF has been granted by the Central Government for the above Undertakings; and

(c) if so, how much amount of assistance has been sanctioned for the above period and released so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

National Automobile Policy

4145. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to frame a National Automobile Policy in the country;

(b) whether Government also propose to go in for major expansion of the automobile industry; and

(c) if so, what efforts have so far been made by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) Manufacture of all kinds of vehicles has been delicensed. There is no capacity constraint on setting up of new units or expansion of existing units in automobile sector. Import of technology is being permitted liberally. There is no proposal to frame a National Automobile Policy in the country at present.

Credits to PSUs

4146. SHRI K.R. MALKANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to carry out disinvestment even in the prestigious PSUs as BHEL, HMT and HAL; and

(b) the reasons for which Government are not advancing necessary credits to, and placing the necessary orders with, these Undertakings which are basically sound but short of funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) Government propose to carry out disinvestment in profit making enterprises only unless they are excluded from disinvestment on specific requirements and availability of funds which are considered on merits and orders are placed wherever it is appropriate as per Government rules.

Implementation of Voluntary Retirement Scheme in Organised Private Sector

4147. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that voluntary retirement schemes (VRS) has been introduced in Public Sector Enterprises, if so, the names of such PSEs, number of employees expected by each of them to retire under VRS and the number of employees actually retired since introduction of the scheme upto 30th June. 1994;

(b) whether Government have also been encouraging VRS scheme in the industries in the organised sector under private management;

(c) if so, the details of the measures to facilitate implementation of VRS scheme by the industries in private sector;

(d) whether Government have estimated the number of persons who

would be relieved of their present employment in public and private sectors under the exit policy;

(e) whether it is a fact that the exit policy is one of the components of the policy of economic liberalisation of Government which envisaged industrial growth in the country; and

(f) if so, the details of employment expected to be generated by the industries in the public sector and in the private sector reckoning with the industrial growth expected to be achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir. According to the information made available from 131 PSEs, since the year 1989-90 and upto the end of the financial year 1992-93, 98,513 employees opted for voluntary retirement. Information is respect of the period ending upto 30.6.1994 is not available. The names of the PSEs as well as the number of employees who opted for voluntary retirement are indicated in the statement *(See* below). Since the scheme is voluntarily, it is not possible to indicate the number of employees expected by each PSE who would opt for voluntary retirement.

(b) and (c) The Central Board of Direct Taxes vide their notification dated 18.8.92 has stated that payment received by an employee, either working in the public sector or in the private sector, by way of ex-gratia paid to him under Voluntary Retirement Scheme, conforming to the parameters indicated in the said notification, would stand exempted from the provisions of the income-tax, if such payment does not exceed Rs. 5 lakhs. Thus, the Voluntary Retirement Scheme has been made attractive even in respect of the employees working in the private sector.

(d) and (e) There is no policy in the Government which can be termed as exit policy. Therefore, the question of workers being relieved under the exit policy from their present employer in the public and private sectors does not arise.

(f) Employment growth during the 8th Plan period for the economy as a whole has been estimated at 2.6 per cent.

Statement

S. No.	Name of PSE	*Number of employees who opted for VR during the period 1989-90, 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93
1.	Bengal Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	261
2.	Bengal Immunity Ltd.	182
3.	Hindustan Insecticides Ltd.	98
4.	Hindustan Organic Chemicals Ltd.	6
5.	Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	982
6.	Indian Petro-chemicals Corpn. Ltd.	19
7.	Maharashtra Antibiotics & Pharm. Ltd.	1
8.	Smith Stainstreet & Pharm. Ltd.	23
9.	Fertilizers Corpn. of India Ltd.	888
10.	Fertilizers & Chemicals (Travancore) Ltd.	77
11.	Hindustan Fertilizers Corpn. Ltd.	1157
12.	Madras Fertilizers Ltd.	23
13.	Projects & Development India Ltd.	253
14.	Pyrites Phosphates & Chemicals Ltd.	86
15.	Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd.	84
16.	Air India	17
17.	Food Corpn. of India Ltd.	140
18.	Indian Tourism Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	973
19.	Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corpn. Ltd.	144
20.	Bharat Coking Coal Ltd.	4455
21.	Central Coalfields Ltd.	3110
22.	Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Ltd.	1
23.	Eastern Coalfields Ltd.	1662
24.	South Eastern Coalfields Ltd.	84
25.	Western Coalfields Ltd.	1069
26.	India Trade Promotion Organisation	63
27.	Mica Trading Corpn. of India Ltd.	702

1	2	3
28.	Minerals & Metals Trading Corpn. Ltd.	717
29.	Projects & Equipment Corpn. Ltd.	14
30.	State Trading Corpn. of India Ltd.	596
31.	Tea Trading Corpn. of India Ltd.	7
32.	Indian Telephone Industries Ltd.	1904
33.	Bharat Dynamics Ltd.	16
34.	Bharat Earth Movers Ltd.	414
35.	Bharat Electronics Ltd.	1075
36.	Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd.	20
37.	Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd.	797
38.	Andaman & Nicobar Isl. Forest & Plant Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	4
39.	Modern Food Industries (India) Ltd.	42
40.	Hindustan Latex Ltd.	1
41.	Bharat Brakes & Valves Ltd.	80
42.	Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd.	987
43.	Bharat Heavy Plate & Vessels Ltd.	60
44.	Bharat Leather Corpn. Ltd.	59
45.	Bharat Opthalmic Glass Ltd.	43
46.	Bharat Process & Mechanical Engineers Ltd.	569
47.	Bharat Pumps & Compressors Ltd.	97
48.	Braithwaite & Co. Ltd.	1010
49.	Bridge & Roof Co. (India) Ltd.	382
50.	Burn Standard Co. Ltd.	716
51.	Cement Corpn. of India Ltd.	200
52.	Cycle Corpn. of India Ltd.	752
53.	Engineering Projects (India) Ltd.	105
54.	HMT Ltd.	921
55.	HMT (International) Ltd.	15
56.	Heavy Engineering Corpn. Ltd.	1052
57.	Hindustan Cables Ltd.	173
58.	Hindustan Newsprint Ltd.	2
59.	Hindustan Photofilms Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	194
60.	HMT Bearings Ltd.	8
61.	Instrumentation Ltd.	175
62.	Jessop & Co. Ltd.	29
63.	Mandya National Paper Mill Ltd.	144
64.	Mining and Allied Machinery Co. Ltd.	1259
65.	Nagaland Pulp & Paper Co. Ltd.	151
66.	National Bicycle Corpn. of India Ltd.	653
67.	National Industrial Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	44
68.	National Instruments Ltd.	143
69.	NEPA Ltd.	121
70.	Rehabilitation Industries Corpn. Ltd.	484
71.	Richardson & Cruddas (1972) Ltd.	1032
72.	Scooters India Ltd.	168
73.	Tannery & Footwear Corpn. of India Ltd.	181
74.	Triveni Structurals Ltd.	331
75.	Tungbhadra Steel Products Ltd.	138
76.	Tyre Corpn. of India Ltd.	288
77.	Weighbird India Ltd.	169
78.	National film Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	7
79.	Bharat Aluminium Co. Ltd.	39
80.	Bharat Gold Mines Ltd.	1182
81.	Hindustan Copper Ltd.	561
82.	Mineral Exploration Corpn. Ltd.	354
83.	National Aluminium Co. Ltd.	3
84.	Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd.	11
85.	Biecco Lawrie Ltd.	228
86.	Engineers India Ltd.	32
87.	IBP Co. Ltd.	43
88.	Indian Oil Blending Ltd.	4
89.	Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.	358
90.	National Hydro Electric Tower Corpn. Ltd.	137
91.	Bharat Refractories Ltd.	338
92.	Hindustan Steel Works Constn. Ltd.	2618
93.	India Firebricks & Insulation Co. Ltd.	107
94.	Kudremukh Iron Ore Co. Ltd.	2
95.	Manganese Ore (India) Ltd.	791
96.	Metallurgical & Engineering Consultants (India) Ltd.	21
97.	National Mineral Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	9
98.	Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd.	4
99.	Steel Authority of India Ltd.	10279
100.	Central Inland Water Transport Corpn. Ltd.	571
101.	Cochin Shipyard Ltd.	103
102.	Hindustan Shipyard Ltd.	1277
103.	Delhi Transport Corporation Ltd.	3729
104.	Hooghly Dock & Ports Engineers Ltd.	182
105.	Cawnpore Textiles Ltd.	384
106.	Central Cottage Industries Corpn. of India Ltd.	42
107.	Cotton Corporation of India Ltd.	11
108.	Elgin Mills Co. Ltd.	1000
109.	Handicrafts & Handlooms Exports Corpn. of India Ltd.	12
110.	Jute corporation of India Ltd.	24
111.	National Jute Manufacturing Corpn. Ltd.	1130
112.	North Eastern Handicrafts & Handloom Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	35
113.	NTC (A.P., Karnataka, Kerala & Mahe.) Ltd.	1940

1	2	3
114.	NTC (Delhi, Pubjab & Rajasthan) Ltd.	1327
115.	NTC (Gujarat) Ltd.	5973
116.	NTC (Madhya Pradesh) Ltd.	4411
117.	NTC (Maharashtra North) Ltd.	5120
118.	NTC (South Maharashtra) Ltd.	8501
119.	NTC (Tamilnadu & Pondicherry) Ltd.	1194
120.	NTC (Uttar Pradesh) Ltd.	4753
121.	NTC (West Bengal, Assam, Bihar & Orissa) Ltd.	4074
122.	Hindustan Prefab Ltd.	81
123.	National Building constn. Co. Ltd.	78
124.	Rashtriya Pariyojna Nirman Nigam Ltd.	144
125.	Electronics Corpn. of India Ltd.	172
126.	Indian Rare Earths Ltd.	39
127.	CMC Ltd.	24
128.	Semi Conductor Complex Ltd.	2
129.	Hindustan Paper Corpn. Ltd. (Hq., Cachar & Naogaon) Ltd.	22
130.	Indian Airlines	26
131.	Oil India Ltd	2

* The information is based on revised figures furnished by PSEs.

मंडी जिले में नमक का उत्पादन

*4148. **श्री महेश्वर सिंह:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या हिमाचल प्रदेश में मंडी जिले के द्रंग क्षेत्र में नमक का उत्पादन शुरू हो गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो वर्ष 1993-94 के दौरान कितना नमक तैयार किया गया;

(ग) क्या भारत सरकार पर हिंदुस्तान साल्ट लिमिटेड और हिमाचल प्रदेश की सरकार ने संयुक्त क्षेत्र में एक परियोजना शुरू की है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो कब तक?

उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती कृष्णा साही): (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) जी नहीं।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Representation by Executive's Association of BHEL

4149. SHRI YERRA NARAYANA-SWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that BHEL Executive's Association have submitted a representation to Government on the neglect of BHEL;

(b) if so, the details of the representation;

(c) whether any action has been taken to rectify the problem; and

(d) whether BHEL receive any encouragement to continue its manufacturing activities?

THE MINISETRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d) A copy of a letter dated 7th June, 1994, of the Federation of BHEL Executives' Associations has been received in the Department of Heavy Industry. The Federation of BHEL Executives' Association has inter-alia, stated in that letter that

(i) Power Plants can be set up by NTPC and BHEL on trunkey basis at a cost lower than that of some projects being set up by foreign private investors, thereby leading to lower cost of generation;

(ii) The Federation has also suggested some methods of raising resources.

(iii) They have sought the same terms as being offered plants in India.

(iv) They have sought support from the Government for BHEL's export efforts, on the same footing as they claim arc being provided by the other countries to their capital goods indsutry. The problems faced by BHEL from time to time are taken up with concerned agencies for appropriate solutions.